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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 22 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

11 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Iraq

Briefing by Ambassador Richard Butler, Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b) (i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991)

Other matters

Monday, 24 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Haiti (S/1997/832 and Add.1)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.	52nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	53rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-second regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: second report of the General Committee (A/52/250/Add.1) [8].

2. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of nineteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law [16 (c)].

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity [42]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/374);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.8).

4. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [20]:

   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: notes by the Secretary-General (A/52/270, A/52/443).

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions:

      (i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/52/297, A/52/341, A/52/433, A/52/434, A/52/500, A/52/525, A/52/532, A/52/535, A/52/562, A/52/563, A/52/568, A/52/678);

      (ii) Draft resolutions (A/52/L.14, L.16, L.34, L.36, L.37).

   (d) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/52/159).

   (e) Participation of volunteers, ' White Helmets', in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development:

      (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/586);

      (ii) Draft resolution (A/52/L.32).

   (f) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster:

      (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/537);

      (ii) Draft resolution (A/52/L.33).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 4

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [86] (A/52/13 and Add.1, A/52/311, A/52/372, A/52/415, A/52/423, A/52/503, A/52/ 578)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposal A/C.2/52/L.29 (item 98 (g))

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	46th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)]

   Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.59, L.66 and L.67

2. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)]

   Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.62, L.65, L.68, L.71, L.72 and L.73

3. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)]

   Action on draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.50, L.55 and Corr.1, L.57 and L.60

4. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.63

5. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)]

   Action on draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.64

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 119 (Pattern of conferences (A/52/32 and Corr.1 (Chinese only) and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1)) and 153 (Human resources management (A/ 52/438, A/C.5/51/55 and Corr.1, A/52/7, paras. 107 to 112, A/C.5/52/2 and A/52/574))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Extension of the premises of the International Court of Justice

2. Office accommodation at the Palais Wilson

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 24 November 1997

AFRICAN GROUP: COMMITTEE ON THE UNITED NATIONS REFORM

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30 p.m.-3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND THE GROUP OF 77
(at the ambassadorial level)

4 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(briefing by the Coordinators on the current resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.-8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on "The right to development" (Third Committee) on Monday, 24 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing by the Director-General of the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant, Mr. Serhiy Parashyn (Ukraine), on Monday, 24 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 3.40 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). All interested are invited to attend.

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti (UNTMIH) will be held on Monday, 24 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 25 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 54th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal: draft resolution (A/52/L.23/Rev.1) [24].

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe [40]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/450);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.38);

   (c) Amendment (A/52/L.39).

3. Multilingualism [23]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/577);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.35).

4. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [27]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/211);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.12).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

Informal Consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and all its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on Wednesday, 26 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, 1 December 1997, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977.

All Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies and observers are invited to attend.

Screening of films

In commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films from Monday, 1 December, to Friday, 5 December 1997 at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, at 1 p.m.

Exhibition

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibition entitled "At Home in Palestine," in commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibition will be displayed at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from Monday, 1 December, to Sunday, 7 December 1997.

The formal opening of the exhibition is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Monday, 1 December 1997, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 25 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room A.

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The next meeting of the ad hoc informal open-ended support group to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons will take place on Friday, 5 December 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegates are invited to present information on developments at the national level in preparation for the year.

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A Special International Donor Meeting on Chernobyl will be held on Tuesday, 25 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Special event

H. E. Mr. Fidel V. Ramos, President of the Republic of the Philippines, will deliver UNFPA's Seventh Rafael M. Salas Memorial Lecture, on the theme "It Can Be Done ... Population Management through People Empowerment and Consensus-Building", on Wednesday, 26 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Lecture will be followed by a question-and-answer period. All member of delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 21 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3835th meeting

The situation in the Middle East

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/1997/884)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/904, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1997/904).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1997/904) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1139 (1997).

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1997/53).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

51st plenary meeting

Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [38]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/513);

(b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.28)

The President made a statement.

The representative of Romania made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.28.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), Zambia, Germany, Swaziland, Hungary, Nicaragua (also on behalf of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Panama), the Philippines, Mongolia, Guyana, Argentina, Ukraine, Benin, Andorra, India, Italy, the United States, South Africa, the Republic of Korea and the Gambia.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.28 (resolution 52/18).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 38.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization: draft resolution (A/52/L.20/Rev.1) [34]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 34.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.20/Rev.1 (resolution 52/19).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 34.

GENERAL COMMITTEE 3rd meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-second regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Jamaica (A/52/233 and Add.1) [8]

The representative of Jamaica, under rule 43 of the rules of procedure, made a statement concerning her request for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Admission of the International Seabed Authority to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund"(A/52/233 and Add.1).

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the additional item should be included in the agenda of the fifty-second session and that it should be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 45th meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.50

The representative of Portugal, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Angola, Belgium, Chile, Iceland, the Netherlands, Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Korea, Samoa and the United Kingdom, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.55 and Corr.1

The representative of Namibia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Belarus, Botswana, Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, the Republic of Korea, the Sudan and Swaziland, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.56

The representative of Norway, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Albania, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.57

The representative of Cuba, also on behalf of Bangladesh, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.58

The representative of Turkey, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as the Philippines, introduced the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Colombia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.60

The representative of India, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Austria, Bangladesh, Chile, Colombia, Cameroon, the Czech Republic, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Nigeria, Italy, Mali, the Philippines, Portugal, Slovenia, South Africa, Thailand and the United States, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Niger, El Salvador, Benin, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Ethiopia, Israel, Panama, Guatemala, Togo, Guinea-Bissau and Argentina joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.61

The representative of Albania, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Djibouti and Poland introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.63

The representative of Sweden, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Slovakia, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

(d) *Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.64

The representative of Austria, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Belgium, Croatia, Malaysia, Poland, the Republic of Korea and Samoa, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Bahamas, Bolivia, El Salvador, Finland, Pakistan, Panama, South Africa, Spain and Sweden joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.49

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Albania, Australia, Bangladesh, the Central African Republic, Denmark, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Paraguay, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova and Turkmenistan had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Barbados, Benin, Cameroon, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Mozambique, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Solomon Islands and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the Dominican Republic.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

After adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.44

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Equatorial Guinea had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Cameroon and Niger joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Before adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Luxembourg, on behalf of the European Union and Lithuania.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 78 to 56, with 11 abstentions.

The representative of Costa Rica spoke in explanation of vote after the vote.

A statement was made by the representative of Iraq.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.46

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 74 to 46, with 26 abstentions.

A statement was made by the representative of Iraq.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.47

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 75 to 1, with 76 abstentions.

The representatives of Mexico and Chile made statements in explanation of the vote after the vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.48

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Costa Rica, India, Israel, Poland and the United States had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Cameroon, Croatia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Mali, Nicaragua, Slovakia, South Africa and Suriname joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.51

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Bangladesh, India and Poland had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, El Salvador, Nicaragua and the Russian Federation joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution as orally revised.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.52

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Bangladesh, France, Morocco and Poland had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Cameroon, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Israel, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, the Russian Federation, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and the United Kingdom, joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.53

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Bangladesh, Mali and Togo had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Barbados, Benin, Ethiopia, Ireland, the Federated States of Micronesia, Nepal, Papua and New Guinea, Senegal, Slovakia and Turkmenistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 32nd meeting

United Nations common system [121] *(A/52/30, A/52/439 and A/C.5/52/18)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Norway, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia and Cyprus), the Philippines, Indonesia, Côte d' Ivoire and Egypt.

The representative of Poland also made a statement.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina [138]

Draft decision A/C.5/52/L.8

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Deputy Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division responded to a question posed.

The representative of Algeria made a statement in explanation of position.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Organization of work

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic drew the attention of the Committee to draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.50 being considered by the Third Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Côte d'Ivoire.

The Secretary of the Committee responded to a question posed.

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to the programme of work for the week of 24-28 November.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 34th meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening the Role of the Organization [151]

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.9 and Corr.1.

Finland and Ukraine joined the list of co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/6.2/52/L.9 and Corr.1, without a vote.

The representative of South Africa introduced draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.14.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.14 without a vote.

The representative of Lebanon explained the position of his delegation after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The representative of Portugal made a statement in connection with draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.8, which had been recommended to the Sixth Committee by the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.8 without a vote.

The representatives of Israel and Lebanon explained the position of their delegations after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 151.

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152]

The representative of Canada introduced draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.24, which combined A/C.6/52/L.21 submitted by Sri Lanka and draft decision A/C.6/52/L.22 submitted by the Russian Federation.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.24 without a vote.

The representatives of Lebanon, Pakistan and Israel explained the position of their delegations before the adoption of the draft resolution.

The representatives of Egypt and the United States spoke.

The representatives of Norway, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Sweden and India explained the position of their delegations after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded consideration of item 152.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [149]

The representative of Cyprus reported on the result of informal consultations in connection with draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.10/Rev.1 and the amendments to it submitted by Cuba contained in document A/C.6/52/L.23.

Spain joined the list of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.10/Rev.1.

The representative of Cuba orally amended paragraph 7 of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.10/Rev.1.

The representatives of Malaysia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Cyprus, Canada, the Netherlands, Costa Rica, Brazil, Honduras, Lebanon, the United Kingdom, Venezuela and Côte d'Ivoire spoke.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, Costa Rica and Germany explained the vote of their delegations before the adoption of the amendment.

The oral amendment by Cuba to paragraph 7 of draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.10/Rev.1 was adopted in a recorded vote of 42 votes against 20, with 48 abstentions.

The delegation of Zimbabwe stated that it had intended to vote in favour of the amendment.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/52/L.10/Rev.1, as orally amended, by 120 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

The representative of the Netherlands explained the vote of his delegation after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 149.

Closure of the session

The Chairman made a statement.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 1997

317th meeting

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the items in closed session.

Closure of the session

The Chairman declared the nineteenth session of the Committee closed.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 1997

35th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 16 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Iraq (E/1994/104/Add.9).

In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The main Delegates' Dining-room and private dining rooms will be closed until 28 November 1997, due to renovations. The Delegates Dining-room buffet service will be available in the West Terrace until 26 November 1997. Reservations are recommended. No services will be available in the Delegates' Dining Room complex on Friday, 28 November 1997. The Staff Cafe and Cafeteria will be open during that period. All catering facilities will be closed on Thursday, 27 November 1997, Thanksgiving Day.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) will hold the second set of off-site Internet training course until Monday, 24 November 1997. The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Lesotho
Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela

Asian States:
Uzbekistan
H.E. Mr. Alisher Vohidov

Eastern European States:
Belarus
H.E. Mr. Alyaksandr Sychou

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Antigua and Barbuda
H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis

Western European and Other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. George Saliba

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